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- Friday - Nov. 1 - 1901 -

(Pleasant) I worked in the factory - 2⁷⁵ - The boys cut fish 5⁴⁰ and got a load of wood from the farm. Stella is not very well - Mrs. Gardner, Mrs. Hannah Wilder and Nellie Slaughter called this evening. Mr. Smith worked on Horace's house.

- Saturday - 2 -

Pleasant - I worked in the factory - 2⁷² The boys cut fish 5²⁰ and got a load of oat fodder. Mr. Smith, Carroll and I went to the hall to a supper to night - I went to the Lodge.

- Sunday - 5 -

Pleasant - I went to Church this fore-noon. Clara was not able to go. - Char and Clara Owen came in from Church and stayed to dinner. - Char and Susie Smith came this afternoon and stayed to supper. Mr. Smith went down to Will's. - Thomas and Stella went over to Father's towards night.

- Monday - 4 -

Pleasant. - I worked in the factory. 2⁰⁴ Went over to meeting of the Selectmen this afternoon. I went up to C.H. Owen's this evening and Clara cut my hair. - Mr. Smith worked on Horace's house this fore-noon. He cut brush for me this afternoon. Stella worked in the factory - 7⁴⁰

- Tuesday - 5 -

Pleasant - I worked in the factory - 2⁴⁰ Mr. Smith and Carroll got a load of sawdust this fore-noon; they got a load of wood from the "farm". They hauled some banking brush this afternoon.

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- Wednesday - Nov. 6 - 1901 -

Pleasant - I worked in the factory 2⁴¹ - Mr. Smith sawed wood for Mrs. Mary Ann Hatch. Carroll helped him. Clara went down town this evening.

- Thursday - 7 -

Pleasant - Finished work in the factory 2⁰⁴ Carroll cut some bushes, etc. - Clara went over to Mother's to the "Circle" -

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- Friday - 8 -

Pleasant - Mr. Smith started for Lowell this morning by train. - Mr. J. S. Dunn plowed for me to-day; I have held the plow all day. - I went down town this evening and got a pair of rubber boots, etc. - Stella went up to Clara Cowie's this after-noon. -

- Saturday - 9 -

Pleasant; rains lightly to night - Mr. Dunn plowed for me today. - Stella and Nina went to Dumpsville this after-noon.

- Sunday - 10 -

Pleasant this fore-noon. Squally, cold and windy this after-noon - Chas Smith and Jessie came down this fore-noon; Chas went home before dinner and Jessie will stay down a few days. - Stella, Jessie, Thomas and I went to Church this after-noon.

- Monday - 11 -

Pleasant, cold and windy. - Clara, Carroll, Ernest and I went in to the farm today. Clara swept the house, etc, Carroll carried our cow "Daisy May" over to Father's, we not having room to keep her. - I pulled parsnips, etc. - Ora Fisher came up and spent a part of the evening with the boys.

- Wednesday Nov. 13 - 1901 -

- Tuesday Nov. 12 - 1901 -

Rained hard about all day - Cold and windy -

I fixed shelves in the kitchen cellarway to set milk, ground ax, etc. — Clara and I went over to Geo. Bosworth's this evening.

- Tuesday - 12 -

Carroll and I went in to the farm, got the pump and a load of wood. Carried the pump down to the factory and had a piece cut off; set it in our well here this afternoon. — Clara washed, etc.

- Thursday - 14 -

Snow-squally all day. — I went down to the factory of the Sunset Packing Co. and bought five gal. of best cotton-seed oil (2.30) Clara went with me. — I carried Jessie Smith home this forenoon. Stella went up with us to stay a few days. I got my dinner to Mr. Smith's — I payed Dr. Snell six dollars $\frac{1}{2}$ in full of $\frac{1}{2}$.

- Friday - 15 -

Snow-squally, moderate. — We plowed with our horse — I went downtown and got some meal, etc. I payed W. W. Woodworth \$11.22 in full of $\frac{1}{2}$. Sarah came up this forenoon and Will came up to dinner — Got an Express box for Gussie.

- Saturday - 16 -

Fair-cool. — I went to Dennyville this forenoon. The boys went in to the "farm" and cut some hayrack stakes. I went in there and we banked the house, etc. Mrs. Ward stayed here to-night while Mr. Ward and I went to the Lodge. —

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- Sunday - Nov. 17 - 1901 -

Fair - Carroll, Stella, Nina and I went to Church this evening - Clara has been sick about all day - Mr. and Mrs. W^m Wilder called this evening and stayed till church time. - Carroll went up to Chas Smith's and got Stella.

- Monday - 18 -

Snow-squally - I went over to the Corner and got the stove repaired, etc. - Worked some on hay-rack, etc. I went up to Chas Annis and got a pair of swill this evening. - Clara has not been well to-day.

- Tuesday - 19 -

Squally - I about finished my rack, etc. Clara has been some better. - Mrs. Mary Bushing was here to dinner. -

- Wednesday - 20 -

Fair-cold. - Carroll and I went in to the "farm" this morning and got the heifer. She led her home and I went out through and got two barrels of turnips of Father's. - I went down to prayer meeting this evening.

- Thursday - 21 -

Pleasant and cold. - The "Merry Workers" met here this fore-noon. - Mother and Harriet came over. - Carroll and I hauled two loads of "oat hay" from the "farm" - Clara and I went over and spent the evening with Mr. and Mrs. Wilder.

- Friday - 22 -

Fair - Carroll and I hauled a load of "oat hay" this fore-noon. We cut bushes and hauled brush this after-noon. - I went down to class meeting this evening.

- Saturday - Nov. 25 - 1901 -

Pleasant - cold. - We cut bushes in the pasture. - I went to the Lodge tonight.

- Sunday - 24 -

Dull - windy - looks like a storm. Clara, Nina and I went to meeting this forenoon. We went down to Sarah's to dinner. Nina will stay down tonight. Will and I called on Will Smith.

- Monday - 25 -

Rained part of last night and has rained and snowed all of today. - I have set glass, put outside window on, separated the pigs, etc. Clara has a bad cold.

- Tuesday - 26 -

Snow-squally - cold - We cut some bushes in the pasture - Carroll went up to Clara Owen's this evening. - Will brought Nina home this morning.

- Wednesday - 27 -

Snow-squally - cold - We hauled some rails up on the pasture hill. - I carried Clara over to Dr. Patterson's dental office and he extracted twelve teeth for her. - This afternoon we went in to the farm and hauled over Carroll's hen-pen. - Alfred went in and helped us.

- Thursday - 28 -

Thanksgiving - Snow-squally - cold. - I cut bushes part of the day. Carroll hauled some rails. Will, Sarah and Bertha came up to dinner. Clara and Stella went over to Mrs. Wilder's this evening.

- Friday - Nov. 29 - 1901 -

Fair-cold. - We cut bushes. - I went down town to night and got Thomas and Ernest, boots etc.

- Saturday - 30 -

Fair-cold. - Cut bushes in the pasture. Carroll and Thomas hauled wood this after-noon. I went to the Lodge to night. Stella went over to Mother's to stay all night.

- Sunday - Dec. 1 -

Fair-thawed some - I went to church this after-noon. The Presiding Elder, Rev. Mr. Day preached. Mother and Father were over to meeting. - Carroll went over to Father's

- Monday - 2 -

Fair-soft. - We cut bushes this fore-noon. I went to the Comr this after-noon.

- Tuesday - 3 -

Dull - Carroll and I helped discharge the "Portland Packet"

- Wednesday - 4 -

Snowed and hailed and blowed all last night and snowed and blowed all of to-day. Very rough day. Cleared up to night - Chored round, filed saw, etc. - Lizzie Anthony will stay here to night. - Clara has not felt very well; has had pain in her head. -

- Thursday - 5 -

Pleasant-cold. - Carroll and I helped finish discharging the "Portland Packet." - Clara went over to the parsonage to the "circle." - Thomas went down to Sherards to a party this evening. - Clara and Nina went over to Mrs. Wilcox's.

- Friday - Dec. 6 - 1901 -

Pleasant and very cold - Carroll and I went in to the "Farm" and cut some wood. We brought the pump home to night. - Bela Wilder called up to night. -

- Saturday - 7 -

Pleasant and cold. - We went in to the Farm and cut wood. Brought a load of stove-wood over to night. I did not go to the Lodge to night.

- Sunday - 8 -

Dull - Home all day. - Clara and I, Thomas and Nina went to Church this evening.

- Monday - 9 -

Rained lightly this forenoon - Thawed. - Roads sloshy and bare in places. - Carroll and I went in to the Farm and got a load of stove-wood this forenoon - I went over to the Selectmen's office this after-noon. Clara went over to the Corner with me. We went over to Mr. Wilder's this evening.

- Tuesday - 10 -

Rainy this morning Rained and blowed very hard this after-noon. - I went down town this morning. Went over to Father's this forenoon and stayed all night. -

- Wednesday - 11 -

Pleasant. - I started for home this morning; met Carroll going in the woods. We both went in and cut wood. We brought a load of stove-wood home to night. - David Baster cut wood for me to pay for an old sled I sold him.

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- Thursday - Dec. 12 - 1901 -

Pleasant. - Carroll and I cut wood. - David cut for me too. - Will cut wood in to Mr. Smith's. Sarah went in with him. - Stella went up to Ada's to stay all night. - Clara went to Amelia Woodworth's to the "circle" this afternoon.

- Friday - 13 -

Rainy this afternoon and evening. We cut wood until it became too wet. I rode out with Will Morgan. Schools closed to day.

- Saturday - 14 -

We cut wood. - I went to the Lodge this evening. - Sarah was taken sick and had the doctor.

- Sunday - 15 -

Wind **Blowed** almost a gale all day. **Rain**ed most all the afternoon and evening. We went to meeting this forenoon. - Clara and I walked down to Sarah's this afternoon. Clara stand down. Sarah is a little better.

- Monday - 16 -

Very cold and windy. - Clara came home this forenoon. Will brought her. - We cut wood in the pasture.

- Tuesday - 17 -

Cold. We cut wood.

- Wednesday - 18 -

Cold. - Cut bushes in the pasture and along the road. - Clara went to the Aid and I went up to C.H. Amos and got a haul of swill.

- Thursday - Dec. 19 - 1901 -
Cold - We cut wood.

- Friday - 20 -

Cold. - We cut wood. - I came out with Will. - I went down to Class meeting to night, and met the other members of the board of Selectmen at Bela Wilder's.

- Saturday - 21 -

Cold - We cut wood - I went to the Lodge to night. -

- Sunday - 22 -

Cold - I went to Church this afternoon.

- Monday - 23 -

Stormed this forenoon; cleared up this afternoon. - I went to the Corner this forenoon and got a barrel of flour, etc. Fixed up round the sink this afternoon. I went up to H. B. Sprague's this afternoon and drew a juryman at the "Clerk's" office. (Welch)

- Tuesday - 24 -

Rained and blowed hard all day until near night. - I chored round, etc. Clara and I went over to Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Wilder's this evening. They celebrated the 55th anniversary of their Wedding and Mrs. Wilder's 58th Birthday. About 75 were invited. 59 were present. Stella went as a waiter. Had a very pleasant time.

- Wednesday - 25 -

~ Christmas ~

Moderate - We all went over and took dinner with Father and Mother. - Clara and Charles and Ina and a Mr. Jones went too; also Helen and Verner. Mr. and Mrs. Stanhope were there a while.

large lamp (^{Estella} ^{Carroll} ^{Thomas}) - Mr. Vace (^{Stella}) etc. - I got neck-tie (Thomas) - sink stand (^{Stella}) - Flannel shirt (Blair), etc. - Carroll got mustache cup & saucer (W.C.) - Book (^{Stella}) etc. - Stella got Overshoes (W.C.) and lots of other presents - Thomas got Book (Blair) - Brace (W.C.) etc. - Nina got dolls - dining-room furniture, etc, etc, etc. - The other children got lots of things, etc. - Mrs. Allie Anthony and Alfred came down this evening.

Thursday - 26

Very pleasant - We cut wood in the pasture. - Stella went up to Hardscrabble. Did not get home to night.

- Friday - 27 -

Big Snow Storm. Cleared up pleasant this evening - I worked round the barn. - Mr. Smith got home tonight from Lowell. I met him at the station. He brought home presents for us all. - Stella got home this forenoon. Ada came with her and will stay all night.

- Saturday - 28 -

Fair - We went in to the Farm but the snow is so deep that we brought no wood. - We hauled some wood from the pasture this afternoon. - Will and Sarah and Bertha came up this forenoon. He went in and got a load of wood. - Mr. Smith went down with them this afternoon. - I went down to the Lodge tonight. - Chas Smith came down to the Lodge and Jessie came down here. - Ada went home this forenoon and Nina went up with her to stay all night. -

- Sunday - 29 -

Big Rain storm all day. - Home all day. No meeting.

- Monday - Dec. 30 - 1901 -

Storm of yesterday continued about all day.

Special Town Meeting this afternoon, to see if the town would accept the bridge already built and raise \$2000 to complete the same. (Postponed)

- Tuesday - 31 -

Pleasant and moderate. - We cut bushes in the pasture. - Mr. Smith came home this forenoon. Will brought him up.

I went over to the barn tonight. Stella and Nina went with me.